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Viewing cable 09TRIPOLI63,

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Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cable's unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
- The bottom box presents the body of the cable. The opening can contain a more specific subject, references to other cables ([browse by origin](#) to find them) or additional comment. This is followed by the main contents of the cable: a summary, a collection of specific topics and a comment section.

To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this [WikiSource](#) article as reference.

Discussing cables

If you find meaningful or important information in a cable, please link directly to its unique reference number. Linking to a specific paragraph in the body of a cable is also possible by copying the appropriate link (to be found at the paragraph symbol). Please mark messages for social networking services like Twitter with the hash tags **#cablegate** and a hash containing the reference ID e.g. **#09TRIPOLI63**.

Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
09TRIPOLI63	2009-01-28 10:42	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Tripoli

Appears in these articles:

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/wikileaks-files/libya-wikileaks/>

From: CBPC, EACTAPP
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2009 12:33 PM
To: EACTripoli
Subject: TRIPOLI 00000063 P CO 28-JAN-09 RISKY BUSINESS? AMERICAN CONSTRUCTION FIRM ENTERS JOINT VENTURE WITH GOL [8466936]

CONFIDENTIAL

VZCZCXRO6748
PP RUEHROV
DE RUEHTRO #0063/01 0281042
ZNY CCCCC ZZH
P 281042Z JAN 09
FM AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4371
INFO RUEHXR/ARAB ISRAELI COLLECTIVE
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY 0989
RUEHFR/AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY 0676
RUEATRS/DEPT OF TREASURY WASHINGTON DC
RUEHTRO/AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI 4895

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DEPT PLEASE PASS TO COMMERCE (MASON), DEPT FOR NEA/MAG, LONDON AND PARIS FOR NEA WATCHERS, CAIRO FOR TREASURY ATTACHE SEVERENS

E.O. 12958: DECL: 1/25/2019

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CLASSIFIED BY: Gene Cretz, Ambassador, U.S. Embassy Tripoli, U.S. Department of State. REASON: 1.4 (b), (d)

1. (C) Summary: U.S. project management company AECOM, which already has a large American expatriate presence and a large role in running the ROLLING THE DICE
2. (C) In a January 22 presentation to the Ambassador, the President of AECOM Libya Housing and Infrastructure, Jim Thompson, announced his
3. (C) AECOM will provide most, if not all, of the funds for initial capitalization and registration of the new JV (estimated at USD 1.5 to DEVELOPING LIBYAN HUMAN CAPACITY IS THE KEY
4. (C) An additional issue was that many HIB staff had been poorly trained to do their jobs. Thompson joked that AECOM could have implemented
5. (C) Many HIB employees had the right credentials on paper, but had never received relevant on-the-job training. With the new JV, HIB and P A BIGGER, MORE VISIBLE U.S. FOOTPRINT IN LIBYA
6. (C) Thompson said AECOM anticipates bringing in an additional 100-200 U.S. expat employees (and their families - several hundred Americans
7. (C) While savvier than many companies operating here, AECOM employees have found Libya a particularly challenging venue in which to work.
8. (C) Comment: AECOM took a considerable risk by coming to Libya before many other U.S. construction firms. Thompson conceded that it had CRETZ